The Players' Fraternity Is Refused Labor Charter

Rumor Claims A. F. of L. Turns HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS Down Baseball Ouestion After Long Debate.

Shoo! The tip is out.

Listen, you real baseball fans, the imerican Federation of Labor has reused to grant the Baseball Players' Fraternity a charter under organized labor.

Since Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock until a late hour last night the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor has wrestled with this question, and when yesterday's meeting adjourned at 11 p. m., no definite news was ready to be given out, so stated Secretary Frank Morrison, of the executive committee.

Two games of basket-ball are scheduled for the exhoolboy basketers today at the "Y" gym which may prove unusually fast. Central and Western meet in the opener at 2:45 o'clock, while Technical and Business will play the final brush.

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course, his baseball question with the American Federation of Labor had to have its own little "leak," and just who let the cat out of the bag will never be known, but it is now and it remains for President Davy Fultz to make a new move for his laboring athlets.

Just what happened and what the debates on this question were will not be made known for a few days, but from the forward, off-set they must have not been very forward, and extended the contract of the contract of

off-set they must have not been very promising for the ball players, as it is claimed that Davy Fultz blew right in, turned around, and blew right out again

Fultz presented the players' case be-fore the committee on Saturday after-moon and was before the council for two hours. After the council had heard Fultz plead for a charter they debated the question, the main point of debate being whether ball players are wage earners in the sense of the term construed by the

Players' Fraternity will now make is not known, but if this "leak" carries any weight it is up to Davy to dig up some other new move.

Manager Griffith wore a little smile when he opened his mail yesterday and received the signed contract of a player who is a member of the Baseball Players' Fraternity. This makes eight players that Griffith now has in line, including Johnson, Poster, Milan, Morgan, Flagherty and a trio of players who are of the "Fultz clan."

The Old Fox stated last night that he is yet to receive any reports from his players that have failed to sign, in ref-erence to the fraternity, but claims that nost of them are questioning the terms contract and he anticipates no trouble in getting all the boys in line.

Billy Weart, in the Philadelphia Evening Telegram, explains the threatened strike as follows: "The players are far being unanimous over Fultz's threat to call them, out on strike on February 20. In the first place there are a number of players who do not belong to the fraternity. They will not go out in sym-pathy with the other players. Then there are a number of stars who are signed to contracts which do not run out ntil the end of the next playing season. Fults says he would not ask them to violate their contracts. Therefore, they will be careful about expressing any sentiments in favor of the would-be strik-ers. These two classes of players are on the safe side. They cannot lose, no on the sale side. They cannot lose matter which way the wind blows.

Then there are those who cannot see why they should get into the scrap, which does not concern themselves, but which does not connected with certain minor league clubs. Some of these players have already taken the bit between their teeth and defied Fultz and the fra-

With a deadlock between players and magnates, and assurance of strong support on the part of the fraternity, it is believed the players' organization could find backing to reopen the baseball war. If the strike call is issued by Dave Fultz, the next move will be up to the club owners. And the major leagues

"Opposed to him will be Jo Loomis, Roy F. Horse, Alvah T. Meyer, Andy B. Kelly, Charles W. Loomis, Frank Steph-enson and F. P. O'Hara, of Massachuenson and F. F. O'Hara, of Massachu-setts Tech. Efforts have been made to have Howard Drew augment the field and a reply is expected from him within a day or so."

NEW ORLEANS ENTRIES

GET ACTION TODAY

Central Plays Western in First Game While Tech Meets Business.

een strong contenders for the title, and merry game is anticipated for the followers of the scholastic basket-ball

The Manual Trainers have made three starts in the series and have came out ahead in all, which gives them the un-computed lead of the league. The tenographers lost a hard-fought game light the fraternity to a finish.

Central Friday, which broke their Powers states that he has completed

ing of victories.
Buck" Wise, the Business star left forward, has been laid up with grippe and not expected to start against the Tech-ical team today, which will weaken his team to a great extent.

In "Stubby" Tabb and "Dave" Pfeiffer the Manual Trainers have a pair of players who possess good ability. Tabb has proved to be the most consistent tosser in the scries, having in two games covered his man so effectively that he couldn't help but increase his team's

federation, or in other words, whether they are eligible for affiliation with the union labor.

Just what move David L. Fultz and his Players' Fragerity will and his BUSINESS

BUSINESS.	Position.	TECHNICAL
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R. Wise	R. F	De LaVergne
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Daley	L. F	Wright
Solomon	R. F	Johnstone
White	Center(Chamberlaine
Kaplan	I. G	Herron
Long	P C	Simpson

FRENCH PROMOTER DIES.

Emil Matrot Killed at Front-

n French boxing circles, has been killed form.

noter and club owner. At one time he conducted two arenas. He arranged the niddle-weight bout between Frank and Georges Carpentier, staged it in his own club and prevented Descamps, Carpentier's manager, from hoodwinking the referee when Klaus sent the French idol to the floor for a knock-out in the eight-eenth round. Descamps was trying to signal Carpentier to claim foul, but Mat ot balked the scheme by getting into the ing and insisting that the referee right fully award Klaus the victory.

JUAREZ ENTRIES.

FIRST RACE—Selling; 3-year-olds; five furiongs.
Peter Stalwart, 115; Waxemall, 115; Some Reach,
113; Idol Star, 112; Star Rose, 113; Ledun, 113;
Lady Tsodi, 110; Griffin, 110; Allas Pagn, 110;
Andrew Johnston, 110; "Joe Galetona, 107; "Noble
Grand, 107; "Minnie F., 105; Hindoo Belle, 90;
Crankie, 99.

only players connected with certain minor league clubs. Some of these players have already taken the bit between their teeth and defied Fultz and the fraternity by signing contracts within the past few days. For this action Sallee, of the Giants, and Stanage, of Detroit, have been expelled from the fraternity."

Fresh life may be rumped into the corpse of the Federal League if the threatened strike of the ball players materializes.

Baseball men here pointed out today that in case the threatened strike should drag into the regular playing season, the way will be opened for a revival of "outlaw" operations. The parks in a number of former Federal League cities are still standing, and could be leased or purchased.

With a deadlock between players and magnates, and assurance of strong sup-

Fultz, the next move will be up to the club owners. And the major leagues have voted to have nothing more to do with the fraternity.

Hear what New York thinks of Brooke Brewer's chances in the 70-yard invitation race at the Meilrose games Wednesday night:

The 70-yard race is another event that is filled with contestants who have earned championship honors. The sensational Brooke Brewer, of Maryland State University, who recently won the junior national indoor championship in commanding fashion, will make his first appearance in this city. The young schools county in the Meadowbrook games in Philadephia.

"Opposed to him will be Jo Loomis, toy F. Horse, Alvah T. Meyer, Andy B. Celly, Charles W. Loomis, Frank Stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and the stephnoso and the stephnoso and the stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and the stephnoso and the stephnoso and F. P. O'Hara, of Meanand and the stephnoso and t

Time, 1:12. Nifty, Santiago White, Hester H., Commoness, and Lesbia also ran.

FIFTH RACE—Five and a half furlongs. Miss. Brush, 19 (Pool), 8 to 5, 2 to 5, out, won; Gasket, 110 (Riddlee), even, 2 to 5, out, second; Anna Lou, 198 (Taylor), 20 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 2, third. Time, 1:92-5. Swartshill and Arurea also ran.

SIXTH RACE—Five Bile. Duke of Shelby, 198 (Gross), 8 to 1, 3 to 1, 3 to 2, won; Wasatch, 109 (Pool), 8 to 5, 2 to 5, out, won; Wasatch, 109 (Pool), 8 to 5, 2 to 5, out, won; Gasket, 109 (Riddlee), even, 2 to 5, out, second; Anna Lou, 198 (Taylor), 20 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 2, won; Wasatch, 109 (Regree—Mr. Hass.)

Claims Checker Title.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 22.—Title to the international checker championship was claimed here last night for Newell W. Banks, of Datroit Mish.

DAVE FULTZ FOR PEACE IF OWNERS WANT IT

New York, Jan. 22.—Davy Fultz has issued a final statement to the baseball magnates to come across. When Fultz was seen today he claimed to be prepared to take all necessary steps for forcing the issue with the magnates and was confident of the outcome.

From the first, however, his intention has been to exhaust every expedient of diplomacy. He still feels this matter can be amicably adjusted, and that it will be, although as yet the green of the olive branch is not exactly perceptible.

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CALLS FULTZ PLANS "GRAND-STAND PLAY"

t-ball Los Angeles, Jan. 22.—Dave Fultz is making a "grandstand play" with the players' fraternity, according to John Powers, president of the Los Angeles e unclub, who arrived from Chicago. He adds that the major magnates are prepared to game sight the fraternity to a finish.

"CUT" SALARY LIMIT IN INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Jamestown, N. Y., Jan. 22.-The annual meeting of the Interstate League was held at Olean. The five cities finishing in the circuit last year, Ridgway, Brad-ford, St. Mary's, Johnsonburg and Wells-ville, were represented. President Pat

limit from \$1,200 to \$1,000 and play strictlimit from \$1,200 to \$1,000 and play strictly class "D" ball. It was the playing of faster ball and overstepping of the salary limit which caused the other cities to go to the wall last year. Olean, Warren and Jamestown may be added to the circuit. The next league meeting will be held February 24, at Bradford, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA IS AFTER GRAND CIRCUIT RACING

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 22.-Horsemen inter ested in harness racing are here for the ranged Many Important Bouts.

New York, Jan. 22.—Willie Lewis, of New York, a well known boxer, is in receipt of a letter from Vienna, the French boxing promoter, stating that Emil Matrot, one of the greatest figures in French boxing circles has been villed. form. Among those which have been mentioned are Philadelphia, Jacksonville,

Boston and Peoria, Many breeders and owners ed to attend the meetings, but there was Klaus no indication last night that there would be important changes of plans from those

Dick Hoblitzell to Stand By Players' Fraternity

Parkersburg, W. Va., Jan. 22.-Announcement was made by Richard Hob-litzel, first baseman of the Boston Red Sox, at his home here, that he would stand by the Baseball Players' Fraternity in all its demands, but that he was opposed to an alliance of the fraternity with the American Federation of Labor. Hoblitzel is a director at large of the fraternity "If our demands are not granted, most

of the players will refuse to sign," he said. "I, for one, will stand pat."

He is under contract to the Red Sox, with another year to go, at a salary said to be \$8,500 a year.

LIFT SUNDAY GOLF BAN.

Onwentsia Links Hereafter May Be Used on Sabbath

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Sunday golf will be ermitted on the links of the Onwentsia Club, one of Chicago's most exclusive country clubs, if a decision of the members is put into effect. Steps were taken today, however, by a faction opposed to Sunday golf to appeal to the board of governors, who by a provision club's constitution, have the deciding

voice in such matters.

The lifting of the ban on Sunday golf would upset the club's most honored tra-

NEW ORLEANS ENTRIES.

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FOSTER HAD BAD WING WHEN IN BIG SERIES

Bit of Strap and Iron Will Keep Him

New York, Jan. 22.—An innocent bit of leather strap, coupled with the loyalty of a pitcher to his club, and an iron will

would not succumb to pain. Here is one of the factors which helped the Boston Red Sox capture the Ameri-can League pennant last summer and eventually ride on to a world's cham-

It may be difficult to appreciate this nt until we mention the fact that the pitcher in question was none other than the diminutive George Foster, the "little giant" of the Boston hurling corps, and that rival teams in the American League have always held the most pro-

Had the rivals of the Red Sox known that Foster's arm had gone back on him the Red Sox would have lost much of their prestige, and we have Hughle Jennings' word for it

During the latter part of the season Foster pitched under great difficulties.

After a hard game he would shuffle to
the club house suffering the tortures of
overstrained muscles, and would throw
himself on a rubbing table while the Red Sox trainer tried all he knew to rub the

The bit of strap was used to hold the deltoid muscle of his salary wing firmly in place. It is the deltoid that takes the burden of pitching, and when Foster's deltoid went back on him he felt that he But rather than let rival clubs and

players know of it, and hoping that his presence in the bull pen, and on the ville, were represented. President rat presented mound at intervals, would uphold the esgame they should have easy sailing for the title. If the Stenographers win it before the playing season opened.

The directors voted to cut the salary the money of the salary that the salary that the salary that the salary the salary that the salary that

And now Foster says he is through. He said so last fall, when he cut up the world series ple with his team-mates, and he has written friends in no plans for returning to the diamond Down in the Ozarks, among the rolling hills and the whispering pines. Foster intends to enjoy life in his country me. A letter written just before th Christmas holidays to a friend in Bos-ton once more confirmed his decision to retire. He says there are other things in life to be considered, and he has often remarked that he would never consent to be a bench warmer.

So, unless the lure of the diamond which comes with the first signs of spring proves too strong for the little labster, Foster will be among missing at Fenway Park next summer. If he does not come back baseball will ose one of the stoutest-hearted most conscientious players who has graced major league diamonds during the ast few years.

last few years.
Foster has emblazoned his name in the "no-hit hall of fame." and he has been the hero of a world series. In three years with the Red Sox he has accomplainin about somebody bein sible. plished what other pitchers fail to gain in a lifetime in baseball.

He joined the Boston club in 1912 and Wheat and Stengel Hold

ning huriers, but an injury to his knee put him out of the campaign. The fol-lowing year he won 14 out of 22 games, and in 1915 he captured 20 out of 29 full games in which he worked. During the first part of 1916 he was a mainstay of the Red Sox, and although his arm failed him toward the close of the season, he is credited with 14 victories and 8 de-

He pitched in two world series, winning two games against the Quakers in 1915, and he finished a game in the series last New Brunswick, Jan. 22—Indoor base-ball practice at Rutgers will start in arnest tomorrow. Preliminary gymnasium and he finished a game in the series last ball practice at fall which had been lost before he went earnest tomorrow. work already is under way. With Bill Carrigan catching. Foster pected that there will be a squad of about bitched his great no-hit game against the New York Yankees last June. If he stays in retirement he has cer-tainly earned his leisure. He will always

Nemo Leibold, who went to the Chicago White Sox two ream ago from Cleveland, is being touted as the Sox regular right fielder for next season.



Somebody Hit the Pipe.

Dear Folks:

As Lon is a regular parlee-player, an' never fiddles with th' stock market, I really can't account for th' followin' outburst, unless it is that he's one o' them unfortunates who can't help buttin'-in on matters what don't concern him. However, be that as it may, here's what he left on th' desk.

Th' old U. S. was goin' great. All crops were doin' fine.

An' most of our large industries were division clubs would be given considered workin' overtime. Dear Folks:

"Indeed it wasn't us! would have an equal chance to musta been th' snoppy press who the talent.

Foster says each of the sixteen manual chance and the sixte

I'm gonna make a call! n rushing down to Congress he started in to wipe floor up with th' party who thought had hit th' pipe.

nave first choice of a class AA player. In the event this club did not want to name a player, the second club drawn from the hat would inherit the choice.

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boozer does his work out loud, an' fair to all, and especially fair to the

is th' guy who hits th' pipe,
DOPEY DAN. Note-Lon says it's generally th' lil' old undersized, pigeon-toed, hard-breathin' "centerpede," with th' chil-dren's school voice who's always com-

Brooklyn. Jan. 22.—Zack Wheat and
"Casey" Stengel have refused to sign
new contracts which call for reductions in their salaries approximating \$2,000 each. Baseball at Rutgers.

fifty men working out.

White Sox Want Bush. Chicago, Jan. 22. Joe Bush may join the White Sox. President Comiskey admitted today that he was negotiating for him and the Athletics want to sell the pitcher.

DOPEY DAN FOSTER NOT IN FAVOR OF EBBETS DRAFTING

Says Plan of the Dodgers' Chief Is Not Fair to Players.

New York, Jan. 22.—John B. Foster is usually a mighty busy individual, but Jawn finds time to pass out an idea now and then, and his latest spasm is a new drafting plan.

Foster, let it be known, is not in favor of the plan which Charley Eb

An' most of our large industries were workin' overtime.

Our stocks an' bonds were soarin' high.

Th' time for peace was ripe.

When, suddenly, an' unbeknown geezer hit th' pipe.

There ain't no use denyin' that th' blow was far from weak.

As it shattered things to pieces, caused one awful leak.

For no sooner had th' deed been did than folks screamed, "Holy Cripe!

I wonder who th' guy can be who's gone estimation. If the Ebbets plan was put over, Foster points out that a player with more than the average ability would have to be content to join a second division clubs would be average.

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I wonder who th' guy can be who's gone and hit th' pipe?"

Th' Big-Guns of th' Ship o' State, said, both first and second division clubs

raised up all this fuss!"

Foster says each of the sixteen mapress tee-heed, an' then agreed that some one was a snipe, still they wasn't certain just who 'twas that hit th' pipe.

The talent.

Foster says each of the sixteen mapress that it leads to be should send a representative to the draft meeting, and to begin with the two leagues should decide by lot which should have first In the event it was the Na choice. When up-jumps old Tom Lawson, the tional League the names of each of the eight clubs would be tossed into the eight clubs would be tossed into the eight club drawn out would be tossed into the eight club dr have first choice of a class AA player

thought had hit th' pipe.

After one player had ben drafted by the National League the American League clubs would hold their drawing and take the second player. Following the Nationals would hold their drawing and take the second player. Following this plan the Nationals would take the third player, the American League the fourth and so on down the Claims he'll prove his stripe.

Yet as it stands they ain't never got th' guy who hit th' pipe.

Th' moral of this homely verse, is that classification, the teams holding the Classification, the teams holding the Classification. same position, or numbers, as

Th' boozer does his work out loud, an' ridicules its gripe,
But th' measilest, silpperiest, 'onriest cuss is th' guy who hits th' pipe.

Spot in his chest for the athlete who is the pipe in winning from Charles Lovejoy by spot in his chest for the athlete who is the pipe in winning from Charles Lovejoy by spot in his chest for the athlete who is the pipe in winning from Charles Lovejoy by spot in his chest for the athlete who is the pipe in winning from Charles Lovejoy by spot in his chest for the athlete who is the pipe. wears the spikes and sliding pads.

CUBS SIGN CONTRACTS.

Players Defy Fraternity Orders, Declares Chicago Owner.

Chicago, Jan. 22.-Two members of the Out Against Salary Cut

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Of President Fultz's orders, Charles H.

Weeghman, president of the club, an-Weeghman said the players were stars

and had been members of the fraternity since its inception, but that they had requested him not to make public their an appearance. names at this time.
"The arrival of these contracts convinces me that the fraternity is not as strong as Fultz thinks it is." Weeghman

Offer Turned Down

Los Angeles, Cai., Jan. 22.—An offer of a right-handed hitting outfielder for Charley Groeling was turned down today by Frank Chance, manager of the Angels. Bill Jackson, manager of the team winning the first place. The Port Deposit men say they are instituting a hew idea in that if the Tome School wing the meet it will not take the trophy, but Peoria team, for whom Groeling played will give it to the second team last summer, wants to get back the in-fielder who is slated to report to the

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The Avenue at Ninth.

OVER LOVEJOY, 100-6

In the pocket billiard tournament at the Grand Palace last night for the Dis

The champion was in good form and had two runs of 14 and one of 13 in his game with Lovejoy, and gained a hold on the title for this year's matches. To-night will find Eddie Killeen meeting Charlie Swan for the honors in a match

TOME'S DATE OUT.

Games Will Be Held on May 19.

Port Deposit, Md., Jan. 20 - The advance notice of the annual track games to be held at Tome Institute has made an appearance. Tome will stage its set of games on May 19, which comes one week after the annual field and track championships to be held here for high schools.

The date is two weeks after the an-nual Maryland State College games and two weeks after the South Atlantic Intercollegiates.

Del Baker, former Detroit catcher, will join the

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